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## Russian Women Are Fighting Against The Finns

# RED AMAZONS OF THE AIR

WOMEN, say reports reaching London from authoritative sources in Finland, are fighting side by side with men in the Russian Army. They are flying Soviet bombers and fighting planes in the Finnish campaign and, in Estonia, on the other side of the Baltic, are commanding Red Army units and batteries. Some of the Russian amazons hold the rank of battalion commanders.

**FINNS' LINE STILL UNBROKEN**

EXTREMELY heavy fighting was raging yesterday along the Karelian Isthmus, according to reports received in London direct from Lt.-Colonel Mellblom, officer commanding the Finnish forces based on the town of Viborg, says Reuter.

The Russians have been attacking with reinforcements, but at no point, state these reports, has the Manneheim Line been broken.

From the first day of the war up to Friday, Finnish circles in London claim 100 Soviet tanks have been destroyed on all fronts.

It is only two or three years since Soviet women of the Osoviakhim (Home Defence League) asked to be allowed to form women's units in the Red Army.

This was refused. But in September, 1936, Marshal Voroshilov declared that if Soviet Russia were to be attacked—as now she declares herself attacked by Finland—Soviet citizens, both men and women, would fight under the Red Flag.

But the women do not seem to have helped Russia's fighters to enhance their prestige as a military race. Webb Miller, B.U.P. special correspondent, who travelled to Finland from the Western Front through Belgium, Holland, England, Denmark and Sweden, declared in a message from Helsinki yesterday:

Throughout Europe, including Germany, the prestige of the fabulous strength of the Russian Army has been dealt a severe blow by the stubborn resistance of the Finns.

I have gathered (he says) the impression that the reputation for invincibility of the huge Red military machine has been badly tarnished in the eyes of her neighbours. By their valiant defence the Finns have gone far to "debunk" the great Russian steam-roller.

## Pro-Nazi Youth "A Possible Menace To His Country"

A N EIGHTEEN-YEARS-OLD YOUTH WHO SPOKE THREE LANGUAGES WAS SAID AT BIRMINGHAM POLICE COURT TO BE "OBSESSED WITH NAZISM" AND "A POTENTIAL MENACE TO THE REALM."

He was Trevor Edward Williams, of Lansdowne-nd, Erdington, who was sentenced to six months' hard labour for the theft of an R.A.M.C. officer's uniform and of books from the Birmingham public library.

Mr. M. P. Pugh, prosecuting, said that Williams had been carrying on a highly dangerous correspondence with enemies of the country.

In his bedroom, on the walls of which were pictures of Hitler and Goering, were found the uniform, Nazi propaganda, letters to Germans, a German short-wave radio, and a Nazi Government document.

Williams had worked in a key industry connected with the manufacture of planes and submarines.

The chief clerk at the firm noticed that Williams was using the firm's postbag for his own letters to Germany, Czechoslovakia and Spain. He sent at least two letters to Dr. Rosel, of the Anglo-German Information Service, who was the chief Nazi agent in this country and had now been expelled.

After Williams returned from a holiday in Germany, it was learned, he had a key fitting the chief clerk's desk, since then two confidential documents had disappeared from the office. They would have been of untold advantage to enemy agents, but there was no evidence that Williams had stolen them.

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### Three Germans Free

## PRISON CAMP ESCAPES

*Special to "The People"*

POLICE AND A.R.P. WORKERS LAST NIGHT WERE COMING A WIDE AREA IN EASTERN ENGLAND IN SEARCH OF THREE ESCAPED GERMAN PRISONERS.

They, with a fourth man since recaptured, got away in the darkness of Friday night.

One of them, Kurt Peters, is a heavily built young man who speaks a little English.

He was among the prisoners taken from German ships and was transferred from Scotland with a large batch of prisoners recently.

The other fugitives are Eberhard Wirth (thirty-two) and Ulrich Jansch (thirty-one), both seamen.

Jansch, who is 5 ft. 5 in. in height, has dark hair, dark grey eyes, fresh complexion, weight about 10 stone, dressed in seamen's blue clothes.

Wirth is 5 ft. 9 in. with brown hair, grey eyes, fresh complexion, weight about 13 stone, dressed in proper-and-salt grey suit, probably a seaman.

The full description of Peters is:

Aged twenty-six, 6 ft. light brown hair, blue grey eyes, fresh complexion, weight about 13 stone, and dressed in medium-grey suit, soft dark grey trilby, white shirt and collar with bow tie.

Peters was a merchant before the war.

It is presumed the escapes were made at the same time.

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### TODAY'S RADIO

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### BIG CASH CROSSWORDS

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**£1,000,000 "MOSQUITOES"**

Washington, Saturday

The U.S. Navy has awarded the Electrical Boat Company £1,000,000 contract to build 11 high-speed motor torpedo-boats and 12 submarine chasers to resemble the British "mosquito craft." B.U.P.

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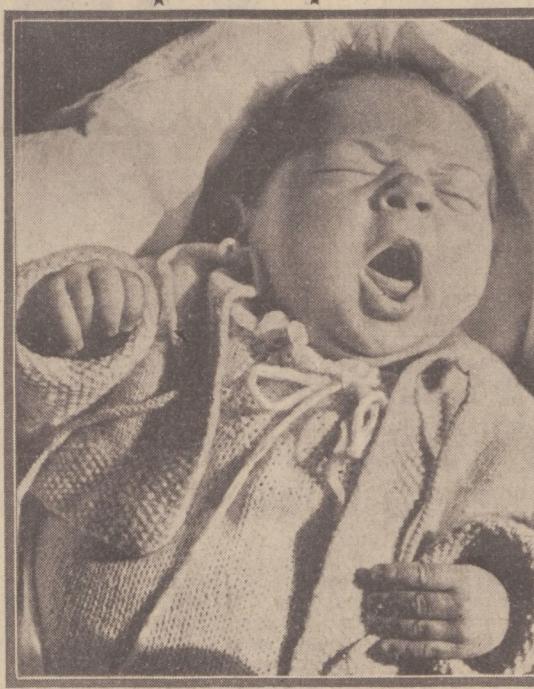
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"BABY": By R. Suschitsky  
—From "Photograms of the Year."

### German Sailors Restive

## DON'T WANT TO GO IN U-BOATS

GERMANY IS ALARMED ABOUT ITS U-BOAT LOSSES. THE CREWS ARE GETTING RESTIVE, AND ADMIRAL RAEDER IS HAVING GREAT DIFFICULTY IN FINDING CREWS FOR THE SUBMARINES WHICH ARE BEING BUILT.

### U.S. "BLIND EYE" TO OUR BLOCKADE

THE UNITED STATES NOTE TO BRITAIN ON THE SEIZURE OF GERMAN EXPORTS IS BEING CONSIDERED BY THE GOVERNMENT, BUT IT IS TOO EARLY TO SAY WHEN A REPLY WILL BE SENT.

THE NOTE SAYS THAT THE U.S. COULD NOT VIEW WITH EQUINITY THE BRITISH MEASURES AND ASKS THAT THEY SHOULD NOT INTERFERE WITH THE LEGITIMATE TRADE OF AMERICAN NATIONALS.

IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY WELL-INFORMED SOURCES EMPHASIZED THE MILD AND FRIENDLY TONE OF THE NOTE AND SUGGESTED THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD BE SATISFIED IF BRITAIN ALLOWED THE PASSAGE OF GOODS ALREADY PAID FOR BY AMERICANS, AS WELL AS PRODUCTS SUCH AS OPTICAL INSTRUMENTS WHICH COULD NOT BE OBTAINED ELSEWHERE.

THESE WILL BE NO INSISTENCE ON THE LIFTING OF THE BLOCKADE.

"AMERICA, AS THE GREATEST NEUTRAL," SAYS THE "NEW YORK TIMES," HAS A VITAL STAKE IN THE MAINTENANCE OF INTERNATIONAL LAW. BUT THE NATION'S SYMPATHIES ARE WITH BRITAIN AND FRANCE IN THEIR USE OF THE BLOCKADE TO CURB GERMAN AGGRESSION."

ITALIAN COMMENT YESTERDAY WAS—THE BRITISH REPRISALS WERE A SERIOUS VEXATION TO NEUTRALS. "OUR PEOPLE," SAYS "POPOLI D'ITALIA," WHO HAVE SHOWN THAT THEY WILL NOT TOLERATE IRRITATIONS, RISE AGAINST THIS NEW SANCTIONIST OFFENSIVE."

JAPAN IS ALSO WATCHING ANXIOUTLY. A "TEST CASE," IT IS STATED, MAY BE PROVIDED BY THE SAILING OF THE JAPANESE LINER SANYO MARU FROM ROTTERDAM TODAY WITH GERMAN EXPORTS FOR JAPAN.

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### THE KING'S DAILY LETTER TO THE QUEEN

With the B.E.F. in France, Saturday.

ALTHOUGH THE KING HAS FOUND EVERY DAY FULLY OCCUPIED SINCE HE CAME TO FRANCE LAST MONDAY, HE HAS KEPT IN DAILY TOUCH WITH THE QUEEN.

By King's messenger, he has sent a letter to her every day, keeping her informed of his movements and describing his experiences with the men at the Front.

Continuing his tour of inspection, the King today visited units in the line.

Ever since he arrived in France he has given all his energy to going among soldiers and airmen and learning at first hand how they are getting on.

He is well satisfied with all he has seen and has said so to commanding officers.—Reuter.

## "I Can Beat The

### Mine," Says Inventor

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

A BRITISH INVENTOR CLAIMS TO HAVE PRODUCED A DEVICE WHICH WILL END THE NAZI MINE MENACE AND ENABLE SHIPS TO SAIL THROUGH A MINEFIELD IN SAFETY.

Yesterday, in the attic of a suburban house in the Midlands, he gave me a demonstration of his invention which, he declares, will put mines out of action.

In a tank of water, sown with a miniature mine-field, a model warship, equipped with a new species of mine-detector, sailed with immunity.

The detector, when fitted to full-scale mines, is said to nullify the effects of any mine.

The inventor of the detector is an ex-Londoner, who has had many inventions accepted by the Government and commercial firms in the past 25 years.

"SIMPLE"

"For obvious reasons," he told me, "I cannot allow you to publish details of the detector, but it is really a simple device."

"It will be made in two forms—one to be fitted to ships already in commission, and the other to be incorporated in the construction of new ships. The detector is so constructed that it renders a mine harmless until it can be exploded."

"There is no possibility of the mine coming into contact with the ship, even in the roughest of seas. As soon as the detector gives warning of the presence of a mine, a bell automatically rings on deck."

"The cost of production and fitting will be comparatively very little. I estimate that 200 ships can be equipped with the detector in three days."

"So equipped, any craft, from trawler to ocean-going liner, could make her way through the most thickly-sown minefields in safety."

### GERMAN CUSTOMS OFFICERS SHOT

A GERMAN Customs officer was shot near the German-Yugoslav frontier, south of Graz, yesterday afternoon, according to a German official wireless announcement.

Soon afterwards, added the announcer, another Customs officer was shot at his post near-by.

It is not known who was responsible for the shootings.

**HUNGARIANS' ROME MISSION**

Rome, Saturday. A Hungarian Military Mission arrived in Rome today by aeroplane—B.U.P.



An air-raid warning (especially in the night) can be a great shock even to people in vigorous health.

For asthmatics it is far worse. Countless wrecks, whose mast tips and funnels jut out of the water, look like a graveyard," said the official German News Agency yesterday, claiming that this result of German naval warfare had been recorded by photographs brought back by German observation planes from flights over the British coasts.

[Note.—This is how the Germans would like it to be.—Editor, "People."]

### MYSTERY SHOT FROM TRAIN

WHAT lies behind last night's mystery of a Sevenoaks-to-London train?

As it pulled into Eynsford (Kent) station a signalman reported that a shot had been fired at his box.

At once, since these are days of I.R.A. activities, the station staff got busy.

They looked under seats and on the racks of every compartment, and made inquiries among the passengers.

But no trace of a weapon, either an air gun or an air pistol could be found.

No one was injured.

The amazing power of Do-Do to end a choking spasm in 15-30 seconds is due to the speed with which the tablet breaks up and releases the precious medicaments of which Do-Do is composed—medicaments found in no other single asthma remedy, at any price.

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# Dived To Death NECKS BROKEN BY THEIR LIFE-JACKETS

SOME OF THE 36 MEN WHO DIED WHEN THE 8,795-TON CARGO SHIP NAVASOTA WAS TORPEDOED IN THE ATLANTIC HAD THEIR NECKS BROKEN INSTANTLY WHEN THEY DIVED INTO THE SEA FROM THE SHIP.

Their life-jackets were forced upwards by the impact with the water.

This was stated by one of thirty-five survivors who reached a West Coast port yesterday after being landed in the South of England. Nine more survivors were taken to another port.

The Navasota, which belonged to the Royal Mail Line, sank within eight minutes after being attacked in rough weather two hours before dark—and none of the survivors saw the U-boat. Most of the crew were sleeping at the time.

There were 81 people on board. In addition to the 35 known survivors landed yesterday, ten were picked up by an outward-bound ship. The Navasota was commanded by Capt. C. J. Goble. His fate is not known, but he may be among the ten rescued by the outgoing ship.

## TRAPPED BELOW

"A number of men were killed in the initial explosion," said Frank Jackson, a twenty-year-old A.B. of Grasmere-eds, Crosby, Liverpool.

Many firemen were trapped below and some A.B.s were washed overboard and were never seen alive again."

Still others were sucked under as the ship went down.

Those who managed to get away in two lifeboats were two to three hours adrift before a ship picked them up.

The 35 survivors who reached the West Coast port were welcomed by a large crowd of relatives. Most of them are Merseyside men.

A messroom boy, Dan Erving, aged twenty, of Alton-nd, Liverpool, said that there was no panic even among the young members of the crew, although they could see men dying all around them.

## GRANTS IN CASES OF "HARDSHIP"

IN an announcement last night, the Ministry of Pensions drew attention to the method of applying to the War Service Grants Advisory Committee for special "hardship" grants to the families and dependents of men serving with the Forces.

In cases where it is claimed that hardship would arise on account of civil liabilities, the application must be made on Form N.S.A.C.21.

If the man is serving in this country, the form should be obtained through his commanding officer and completed by the man himself. If he is serving afloat or overseas, the form can be obtained by the wife or other dependant by application on a postcard to the nearest office of the Unemployment Assistance Board.

Officers and their families or dependants are also eligible for grants from the Committee and may obtain forms either as indicated for other ranks or by written application to the Committee at 18, Great Smith-st., London, S.W.1.

## FRENCH REDS ARRESTED

Paris, Saturday. Four Communists have been arrested at Dravil, near Versailles, for attempting to circulate a prohibited Communist publication.

## CROWLEY AFTER HIS ACCIDENT



Dave Crowley receiving attention in the ring after twisting his ankle during his fight with Eric Boon last night.

## £2,500 Must-Be-Won

## FOLLOW THIS GOLDEN ROAD TO FORTUNE!

TWO READERS RECEIVE A £625 CHRISTMAS BOX THIS WEEK—BUT THERE IS STILL TIME FOR YOU TO QUALIFY FOR THE MAGNIFICENT MUST-BE-WON PRIZE OF £2,000 OFFERED IN CONNECTION WITH OUR GREAT HOLIDAY CONTEST!

Mr. F. S. Bingley, of 57, Harrison-st., Barrow-in-Furness, who, with Mr. J. Marsden, of 18, Chestnut-ave., Crossgate, Leeds, shares the £1,250 cheque offered for the most meritorious answers to Crossword Competition No. 179, is an engineer employed at Vickers-Armstrong's naval construction works at Barrow.

Before his £625 success, Mr. Bingley had been a winner of runners-up prizes. "But this is my first cash win," he said.

Mr. Marsden is a draughtsman and architect employed by a Yorkshire brewery.

"I shall devote part of my winnings to a Christmas entertainment," Mr. Marsden told our representative. "I shall throw a little party for the family with whom my evacuated boy is living," he added. "I shall, of course, have a nice little bit to spare for my family Christmas gifts—my wife will have one of the best gifts of her life—and the remainder I shall 'stow away.'

These two readers share the substantial sum of £1,250. They are agreed in saying that the money will help them to have a bumper Yuletide. But think of what you could do with the prize now offered—the splendid sum of £2,000, which may be yours for the taking this Christmas!

Your entry must be posted to reach us by first post on Saturday, December 16, to qualify for this wonderful first prize. £500 will be divided between the first runners-up, and each will receive a box filled with seasonable goods.

Second runners-up in this big competition will each receive a box crammed with Christmas fare.

Mr. Bingley and Mr. Marsden both testify to the fascination and the fairness of these skill-testing competitions.

"I find 'The People's' Crosswords a very pleasant hobby," Mr. Bingley said. "I work long hours, but I go to bed with my mind filled with Crosswords, and they give me rest."

Mr. Marsden spoke, too, of the pleasure—pleasure that now has been crowned with profit—he derives from these delightful contests.

Well, black-out time is Crossword time! The long hours of leisure at home can be passed pleasantly and easily with the pastime that may put you in the big money.

Think of how useful a cheque for £2,000—or even a "slice" of it—would be to you at this season of the year. Then turn to Page Twelve, read the simple rules that govern this money-spinning contest, and fill in the coupon that may bring you the prize of a lifetime.

If you enclose a postal order for 6d to cover postage to "The Competition Department, 'The People,'" 6, La Belle Sauvage, London, E.C.4, you will receive a free copy of "The Competitor's World," that invaluable aid, each week for 12 weeks.

You can also save yourself that tiresome and often dangerous journey in the black-out to the post office by using Crossword Entry Vouchers which may be procured from the same address.

These can be used in exactly the same way as postal orders, in payment of your entry fee. You can have eight 6d. vouchers for 4s.; a book of ten 1s. or five 2s. vouchers for 10s.

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# Hitler Copies Kaiser, Orders "Terror War"

## 1918 TACTICS IN FIGHT AT SEA

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

GERMAN "TERROR" TACTICS, WHICH EARNED HER THE SCORN AND CONDEMNATION OF THE WORLD IN THE WAR OF 1914-18, HAVE BEEN ADOPTED BY HITLER.

Facing the fact that he is fighting a losing battle, he has ordered his men to ignore all international law.

Neutral countries, he says, must be forced to act only in accordance with Germany's will.

So the war at sea is being carried on more effectively against these nations' ships than against the shipping of the Allies.

### INHUMANITY

Week after week, Nazi inhumanity at sea has grown worse. Mines have been laid secretly in commercial shipping channels; merchant ships have been sunk without warning by torpedoes or gunfire and the survivors of their crews have been left adrift in open boats, often hundreds of miles from land.

Even the U-boat commanders are sometimes ashamed of the orders they have to carry out.

After shelling the fishing trawler Cresswell, in callous indifference to the recognised rules of civilised warfare, and firing just below one of the trawler's small boats as it was being lowered with men in it, one submarine went on its way, leaving men to drown.

But later he returned to the scene and took the survivors on board. They were taken below, stripped of their wet clothing, given hot drinks and blankets and put into bunks.

### MINES

Admiral Raeder, head of the German Navy, reiterated Germany's obligations after the outbreak of war, and gave an undertaking that Germany intended to honour these obligations.

He stated positively that the laying of minesfields would be announced, according to The Hague Convention of 1907.

He made these statements to the Berlin correspondent of the Dutch newspaper "Handelsblad."

And it is Dutch shipping which has suffered most severely among neutrals from the illegal and ruthless methods of sea warfare which the Nazis have now adopted.

### MORE SCOPE FOR OUR IMPORTERS

Existing facilities for the grant of licences to import goods for re-export under bond or on recovery of the duty are being extended, said a Board of Trade announcement yesterday.

The Import Licensing Department is prepared to consider applications for licences to import any goods required for use in the re-export trade or for stock replacement. Applications will also be entertained for licences to import articles to be incorporated as parts or components in goods for exports.

### CROSSWORD NO. 179

In connection with Crossword No. 179, the Adjudication Committee decided that the most meritorious answers on one square (see below) were those submitted by

Mr. F. S. Bingley, 57, Harrison-st., Barrow-in-Furness.

Mr. J. Marsden, 18, Chestnut-ave., Crossgates, Leeds.

Subject to the terms and conditions of the competition, these competitors share the £1,250 first prize and will each receive a cheque for £25.

Any other entrant who believes that he or she has submitted a square eligible for a share of this prize must demand a scratity by not later than first post Wednesday, December 13, sending a scratity and a copy of all squares submitted and postal order number. Envelopes to be registered, marked "Scrutiny," and addressed to the Competition Manager, "The People," 6, La Belle Sauvage, London, E.C.4.

No scrutiny can be undertaken in connection with the runners-up prizes.

First Runners-up, £250 each, from whom we received squares inferior in merit by reason of only one less apt and accurate answer compared with the best squares received, will be notified and will receive a £25 prize.

Second Runners-up, £400 competitors, from whom we received squares inferior in merit by reason of only two less apt and accurate answers compared with the best squares received, will be notified and will each receive a £50 prize.

Arrangements will be made for all boxes of prizes to be delivered to runners-up prize winners in good time for Christmas.

### THE PEOPLE'S CROSSWORD NO. 179

The most meritorious answers used by competitors decided according to aptness and accuracy by the Adjudication Committee were those shown in the square below.

Extracts from the reasons for Crossword No. 179.

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will form the subject of a helpful feature in next week's "The Competitor's World."

This free publication may be obtained on application. Send 6d. P.O. to cover postage for the next twelve issues. Address your envelope to: "The People, Competition Department," 6, La Belle Sauvage, London, E.C.4.

What can be done to help you get rid of your cold? Here are some tips:

1. Get plenty of rest and drink plenty of fluids.

2. Use a warm compress on your forehead.

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## War Marriages Banned Unless Brides Prove Their Respectability

## ARMY PRYING INTO SOLDIERS' PRIVATE LIVES

"Windfall" Ruin

## APPLE HARVEST TOO RICH

By Our Special Correspondent

Tonbridge, Saturday.  
T HOUSANDS of tons of apples are being allowed to rot in the orchards of Kent because it would not pay the growers to pick them off the ground.★

The county has had its best apple season for many years. Almost 100,000 tons of fruit has ripened on the trees. Yet many of the growers are facing ruin.

I toured a number of orchards in this district today. At almost every one I met a despairing farmer who told me that prices offered for his fruit had been so low that he could not afford to engage in the labour to collect it.

Yet in London and other cities and towns the same varieties of apples are selling retail in the shops at from 4d. to 6d. a pound.

## Communist Loses Deposit

## VOTERS REPLY TO STALIN

THE CONSERVATIVES HELD THE SEAT AT STRETFORD, MANCHESTER, BY-ELECTION BY A MAJORITY OF 18,984, AND THE COMMUNIST CANDIDATE, MR. ERIC GOWER, FORFEITED HIS DEPOSIT.

The voting figures were:—

Mr. Ralph Etherton (Con.)	23,408
Mr. Bob Edwards (I.L.P.)	4,424
Mr. Eric Gower (Com.)	1,519
Majority	18,984

Only 36 per cent. of the electorate of 81,000 voted.

The figures at the General Election in 1935 were:—Mr. A. C. Crossley (Con.), 34,874; Mr. T. Myers (Lab.), 19,278; Conservative majority 15,596.

The by-election was caused by the death of Mr. Anthony Crossley in an air crash in Denmark last August.

Mr. Etherton, the new member, is a nephew of Sir George Etherton, Clerk to the Lancs County Council. Mr. Bob Edwards, a Chorley grocer, fought with the International Brigade in Spain. Mr. Gower is a one-

## MR. BELISHA WILL BE TOLD TO STOP IT

IN THE BAD OLD DAYS OF FEUDAL ENGLAND, WHEN FEW MEN WERE FREE, THE BARONS HAD POWER TO FORBID MARRIAGE AMONG THE SERFS WHO TOILED FOR THEM. THE SAME IDEA IS BEING TRIED OUT IN THE BRITISH ARMY TODAY.

At one infantry training centre for militiamen, no man is allowed to marry unless his fiancée supplies the commanding officer with certificates of her good character.

The order has caused widespread indignation. Soldiers and their brides regard it as a needless insult.

M.P.s are determined that this return to feudalism shall be scotched. Two of them, Mr. George Strauss and Mr. Glenvil Hall, are taking the matter up in the Commons on Tues-

day, and they will be satisfied with nothing less than a complete withdrawal by Mr. Hore-Belisha of any such instructions.

They do not suggest that the custom is general throughout the Army. The specific case which they will quote concerns a Militia unit, the commanding officer of which put up a notice on the Order Board saying that soldiers wishing to marry must:—

1.—Apply for permission to marry through their company commanders to the Colonel.

2.—Accompany the application with certificates from two responsible persons as to the bride's character.

Mr. Hore-Belisha is to be asked whether the Colonel has authority to interfere in this way with the private affairs of his men, and also whether the same system is being introduced in all units.

## NO JUSTIFICATION

In peace time, of course, when married quarters are provided in barracks, the desirability of insisting on the good character of soldiers' brides is recognised. With this object, a Colonel is allowed, before admitting any woman to the married strength, to satisfy himself that she will make a worthy wife to a member of his regiment.

But in the case of soldiers who are serving only for the duration of the war there is no question of being on the married strength, and, according to the M.P.s, there is no justification for any colonel to pry into private lives.

Unless Mr. Belisha makes it clear that the practice will be stopped, there is going to be serious trouble.

## HALF-OUNCE MAY LEAD TO TROUBLE

IS A tradesman to charge the customer for the full ration of four ounces of ham, or for three and a half ounces, to which the ration will be reduced through being cooked?

Linslade (Bucks) Food Control Committee has asked the Ministry of Food to settle this problem.

The Committee consider that a tradesman will be committing an offence every time he sells 3½ oz. of cooked ham in exchange for a coupon giving the weight as 4 oz.

A Ministry of Food official said to "The People" yesterday that the problem would not arise until rationing comes into force. "When rationing starts we shall no doubt draw up a scale of equivalents," he said.

## NURSES IN COACH CRASH AID INJURED

SIX people were injured when two coaches collided on the Colchester Rd., near Romford, yesterday. They were taken to hospital, but their injuries were not serious.

A number of other people complained of shock and received local treatment. Nurses who were among the passengers rendered assistance.

## RED CROSS FUND GROWING

The Lord Mayor's Red Cross and St John Fund for the Sick and Wounded in the War now stands at £857,000, including Scotland's £28,000.

This is an advance of £133,000 since last Saturday.

Yesterday's gifts included £250 from Rochester as a second instalment, and £100 each from the Mayor of Keighley and Laugham and district appeal.

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## "Possible Menace To His Country"

The superintendent produced seven letters written to people in Germany by Williams between September 1 and 11, which had been returned by the Censor.

The first referred to the German march into Poland and went on: "I am therefore writing to tell you this action is the best one Adolf could have taken." The letter was signed by Williams, with "Heil Hitler" over his signature.

In another letter he wrote: "In case anything should happen to bring England into war against Germany you can always rely on my support. If it becomes impossible to send leaflets through to this country, perhaps you know somebody in Holland who will forward them."

Since war broke out, said the superintendent, Williams had written to the Argentine and Spain in an effort to get contacts through neutral countries with people he knew in Germany.

## A LADY OF RETIREMENT



## And So 96 Hours' Leave

TWO WEEKS AGO CONNIE YOUNG, A MEMBER OF THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY AIR FORCE, WAS RETURNING TO HER UNIT LATE AT NIGHT WHEN SHE WAS CHALLENGED BY THE SENTRY ON DUTY—LANCE-BOMBARDIER CHARLES GRIFFITHS.

She gave her name; they became acquainted.

Yesterday they were married at Chelsea register office—both in their uniforms. Bride and bridegroom had 96 hours' leave before returning to their respective duties.

## 1d.-A-PINT BEER WANTED

MR. MACQUISTEN (Con., Argyll) is to ask the Secretary for War in the Commons on Tuesday:

"Whether he will consider arranging for the British Forces to brew their own beer behind the lines, as the farmers did in England, and so obtain draught beer which the consumer prefers to bottled, and which could be sold at one penny per pint."

## "Men In Uniform"

## BISHOP WARNS GIRLS

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

A WARNING AGAINST THE MORAL DANGERS THAT BESET YOUNG PEOPLE UNDER WAR CONDITIONS, AND "THE NATURAL ATTRACTION" TO GIRLS AND YOUNG WOMEN IN UNIFORM,

IS ISSUED BY ARCHBISHOP MACDONALD, THE BENEDICTINE ARCHBISHOP OF ST. ANDREWS AND EDINBURGH, IN A PASTORAL LETTER TO THE PRIESTS AND CONGREGATIONS IN HIS CHARGE.

"Those who remember the last war," he says, "will recollect how a feeling of recklessness and abandonment gradually pervaded the nation as a whole."

"Looking back they will see how, after the Armistice, this grew into a mad pursuit of pleasure."

"Sinister symptoms are already betraying themselves in the present crisis."

"There are, for example, the moral dangers connected with the blackout in our towns and villages, and the natural attraction of those who by their uniform are known to be engaged in honourably and loyally defending our hearths and homes."

## VIGILANCE

"These dangers call for increased effort and vigilance on the part of parents."

"They cannot without grievous dereliction of duty allow their adolescent children to roam outside at will."

"They are likewise bound to see that the places of amusement frequented by their children are such as do not endanger their virtue."

"In the streets they must see that their children are in the company of those who may offer secure protection from the attacks and temptations of the weak or evil-minded."

## PICK THE "STARS"—AND WIN £1,000!

The N.A.A.F.I. are sending two concert parties to France this weekend. These variety shows will work overtime for six weeks.

If you fancy your skill and judgment in selecting stars for a variety show for the men and women in the Forces, here is your opportunity to win a cheque for £1,000.

Enter the "Daily Herald" Services Variety Show Contest.

Select from a list of 28 stars the 12 artists to provide the best variety show for the Services.

The prize of £1,000 must be won. Entry forms appear in the "Daily Herald" each day.

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## IDENTITY CARDS AS PASSPORTS TO THE NEW ARMY

ALL THE QUARTER OF A MILLION MEN WHO REPORTED AT THE EMPLOYMENT EXCHANGES YESTERDAY FOR MILITARY REGISTRATION WILL STILL BE HOME FOR CHRISTMAS.

IDENTIFY men not reserved, who could be employed in the Forces in a trade capacity.

The call-up had been speeded up by the application to younger men of reserved occupations, and by the fact that the Army can now handle more recruits.

## COUNT CIANO TO EXPLAIN

Rome, Saturday.

ROME NEWSPAPERS TODAY DEVOTE ENTIRE FRONT PAGES TO WORLD COMMENT ON THE DECISIONS TAKEN AT THE MEETING OF THE FASCIST GRAND COUNCIL.

Most of them emphasise the great interest displayed in the speech given by Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, in the Fascist Chamber of Corporations at the end of next week.

He will make a statement of events in Europe since the beginning of hostilities and will explain Italy's attitude.

**KINEMA-GOER AT 102**  
Sunderland's oldest inhabitant, Mrs. Catherine Pratt, of Northumberland-st., who has died, aged 102, was in excellent health until a few months ago, and, at 100, she could cook and do other household duties without spectacles. She was a fairly regular kinema-goer.

**BRONCHITIS and its Relief**  
Inflammation of the bronchial tubes congest the pulmonary blood vessels and surrounding lung tissues, making breathing painful and difficult. The local application of warmth attracts supplies of pure blood to wash out clogged arteries relieving chest tightness and breathing.



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# AS *Hanover Swaffer* SEES IT



THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF KENT

### Princess Who Loved The Play

WHEN the death of Princess Louise was known last week, her age—91—surprised everybody. So did the remainder of the way, long forgotten, in which, when young, she braved the rigid Convention of Victorian days.

She was the first English princess for a long time to marry a commoner—the Marquis of Lorne, afterwards the Duke of Argyll. Her sister, the Princess Royal, who became the Duchess of Fife, was the second.

These two were, more than any other royalties, friends of the Theatre. Until quite recently she went to the play regularly, and always sent for the leading members of the company.

I remember more than anything her

halls, while people are beginning to hold public meetings again.

One which I am to address this week, when the Duchess of Hamilton, Miss Lindaf-Hageby, George Ariss and I will be speakers, had, so far as I was concerned, a strange beginning.

When Ariss returned to England to act in "The Green Goddess", we met at Junc- chester, and I rather chaffed him about his vegetari- anism, pulling his leg about his objections to blood sports.

Little did I dream that, in the years to come, I should, on several occasions, share his Animal platform. Ariss's objection to eating meat began when he, as an actor, was touring the States. Seeing the cruel way in which cattle on the way to the Chicago slaughter-houses were sometimes kept for days huddled in trucks without water, he turned to his wife and said, "I will never touch meat again."

He kept his word.

the provinces Monday is a bad night in the theatres. Audiences wait to hear if the show is good.

One thing Dean has had to face is the complaint from officers' wives that they could not give amateur shows "like we did at Simla."

That would be nearly as bad as the war.

On the other hand, General Freyberg, V.C., was so impressed with the one theatre in his command that he said, "For heaven's sake, start another one immediately."

Now to show the contrast in the French Army, the president of the Paris theatre managers boasted in London, the other day, "We have already given one concert to our troops."

### "Who Pinched Your Boots, Colonel?"

COL BENSON, who, on behalf of Authority, entertained the Film trade, the other day, heard from a Paramount man a story about himself—how, in the last war, he was famous for having the finest boots in the British Army.

"When, in Col. Benson's absence, I once occupied his quarters, said the film man, 'I saw in a row two dozen pairs of perfect boots! Now that that war is long over, I can confess to him that, when I left, one pair of his boots was missing!"

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# RIDDLE OF THE RED DICTATOR

## STALIN apes the GREAT

By JOHN ADDISON

**A**CROSS Europe, across the world, moves the sinister shadow of Joseph Stalin, peasant-born dictator of 180,000,000 people, a man of the earth who would walk with the gods, a cold, cynical despot who would rival and outdo the blood-stained deeds of Ivan the Terrible and Peter the Great.

Greatness, the dream of Stalin, will probably prove his downfall. He apes the great with a mocking humility. And in him, in his heart, in his life, there is not a vestige of greatness.

All his life Yossif Vissarionovich Djugashvili has been a rebel. A sworn enemy of all that is the social product of centuries of civilisation. His years have been devoted to the task of destruction and terrorism. And next week, on his sixtieth birthday, he may look back on the years. In his bitter, sanguinary mind he may find satisfaction at the power he has gained—he, Stalin, born in a shoemaker's novel, now overlord of life and death in a realm bigger and more vital than any domain ruled by the Tsars.

### Fantastic Dreams

Who will solve the Red riddle which Stalin has propounded? Who dare guess the wild dreams of world domination which surge through the mind of a man who has sent millions of peasants to their doom?

What, on the eve of his sixtieth birthday, does he visualise? What evil is he planning? What forces of terror will he unleash? If he pursues, unchecked, the path of conquest on which he is already launched?

Stalin—man of steel—is far from

in those campaigns for the Red Dictator. The weak have always been his prey, even in the days when he was a fugitive from Tsarist agents.

Give the devil his due. Life gave a raw deal to the shoemaker's son. His childhood was terribly unhappy. He knew hunger, cruelty, punishment, brutality. By the standards of this England of ours he was a serf.

Yet his mother loved him, dedicated him, ironically enough, to the Church and the glory of God. Yes, this Stalin, who is called anti-Christ by millions of people, who has ridden roughshod over the faiths and religious beliefs of his subjects, was to be a priest.

His mother, a deeply devout woman, had lost three children in their infancy. When the fourth child was expected she vowed that if it were a boy she would name him for St. Joseph and pledge him to the service of God.

On December 21, 1879, Yossif Djugashvili entered a world of sorrow, strife and suffering, of sudden death and bitter feuds, of feudalism and of despotism.

To offset the love of his mother, young Yossif had to contend with the brutal cruelty of his drunken father. As he grew up the wells of bitterness opened in his breast. Those wells have never ceased to flow. In Transcaucasia, where he was born, the spirit of revolt flamed, despite the oppression of the Tsarist agents.

Stalin has another grouse against Society. He was born with his left arm partly paralysed and with two toes unnaturally joined.

Here, then, was the making of the biggest rebel society has known. First his deformity which caused him humiliation, second the constant poverty and hunger, third the fears of his mother and the cruelty of his father, and, lastly, the pride of his fiery race.

At the age of fourteen Joseph entered the Tiflis seminary. He spent five years there. But when he came out he had renounced all idea of being a priest. He was a revolutionary, ready to fight and bomb his way to what he believed to be a better social order.

The story of his progress is history. Always the lust for power drove him ruthlessly forward. Trotsky, the brilliant intellectual, the man with a wonderful mind, is in exile in Mexico, beaten in a battle of wits by a man who matched cunning against brain.

But the story of Stalin himself, the man behind the mask, has yet to be told. Of all world figures he is the most mysterious. He is the living riddle of the Red Shadow.

He cares nothing for the mob. All his spouting about humanity, about brotherly love, about the equality and rights of man, are cant. He uses people

the people of Russia on a national broadcast only once.

He doesn't speak much. He is cautious with words but reckless with lives. He lives almost like a recluse.

He has learned that a dictator, like a favourite, has no friends. He dare not trust anyone. One close friend he had—Avel Yenidze, a Caucasian, with whom Stalin had braved dangers and warred on society.

Avel is dead. He was among those liquidated by the Red dictator in his last purge. No one knows why he was shot. No one, except Stalin.

Betrayed To  
Doom

The ways of his mind are dark. He trusts none, suspects all. As he has betrayed and led to their doom other people, so he fears that he may meet a similar fate.

Whom can Stalin trust? Hitler? No. For years the two ideologies have been forging ahead. Nazism, through Hitler, was born, cradled and reared on the milk of hatred—hatred of everything for which Stalin and his huge armies stand.

In pre-war days Hitler and Stalin represented two new systems. One was, theoretically, the true Communism whereby every man and woman shared in the joys and wealth of the State; the other where the total resources of a nation were thrown into the job of creating a new, virile and aggressive Germany.

Stalin has abandoned the Marxist theory of a self-governed State. Hitler has against him the subterranean currents of opinion of people who want, may, demand, the right to live in freedom and in peace.

Both dictators have used mercilessly the human material at their disposal. Both have condemned millions to misery.

And both dictate through fear. And both in their turn have fear as the constant, compelling shadow over them.

Both challenge Christianity, the faith which has kept the mind of man steadfast and good throughout the centuries. Hitler's successive rapes of Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland are an impressive record of force evilly used. Stalin's record, beginning with Poland, then the subsequent domination of the Baltic States, then the invasion of Finland, has yet to be set down in full.

Let millions die! That seems the justification of Stalin, the Red Autocrat of the Kremlin, the would-be priest turned killer and destroyer. Those millions, after all, are pawns in the Stalin game, power-politics.

It's a different story when Joseph Stalin is concerned. For Stalin fears death, fears illness. Some time ago a famous specialist was summoned from Bucharest to the Kremlin.

No one knows what fear or fore-



## MAN OF STEEL with FEET OF CLAY

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A WARNING TO ALL MOTHERS

Many mothers have reason to be worried about their daughters, especially those in their teens, for it is in these trying years that anemia often develops. The anemic girl's appetite gradually droops and grows fragile, bloodless and nervous.

These conditions indicate plainly that Nature is calling for more nutrition. The anemic girl's eyes are evidenced by dull eyes, pallid cheeks, a languid step, fits of depression, periodical headaches, and a disposition to weep for no reason.

Let the anemic mother who recognises these signs of anemia, and take prompt steps to give her daughter the new blood her system is clamouring for by giving her Dr. Williams Pink Pills. Pink Pills contain the most valuable factors, and anemic girls have been transformed into robust women through the good red blood these pills infuse into the system.

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## 'AREN'T HER HANDS AWFUL!'



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# SUGAR and Spice

## And All Things Nice!

ELL, some reader has got plenty of hens—she has just written to me for a recipe published about six years ago that only had sixteen eggs in it. Well, well, and here am I leading an anti-waste campaign.

◇ But a nice dark fruity cake, topped with icing; not a crumb of that will be wasted, so here goes how to make it. First get your ingredients together. Here they are:

Ten oz. flour, 6 oz. margarine, 1 lb. currants, 4 oz. sultanas, 4 oz. peel, 4 oz. raisins, 3 oz. stoned and chopped dates, 3 oz. glacé cherries, 8 oz. brown sugar, 2 oz. almonds, 1 oz. mixed spice, 3 eggs, 1 tablespoonful treacle, a little browning or coffee essence, 1 tablespoonful brandy.

Cream the margarine and sugar, add each egg separately and beat until the mixture is stiff and well blended. Stir in the sieved flour, prepared fruit, chopped almonds, spice, treacle, browning and brandy.

Pour into a tin lined with several thicknesses of greased paper, and bake in a moderate oven for the first 45 minutes, then in a slow oven for 2 hours.

When cooked remove from the oven and allow the cake to stand in the tin before turning out on to the cake rack.

Store in an airtight tin (when the cake is cold) for a week, then cover with almond icing. Leave for four days and put on the royal icing.

◇ Instead of brandy you may use stout; it is much cheaper, but brandy is necessary if you want it to keep a long time. Don't put milk in it if you want it to keep.

◇ Choose a strong, heavy tin that is not too deep and line with three or four thicknesses of greased paper, and sprinkle the bottom and sides with ground rice to prevent the outside from burning.

◇ Now for the almond paste. 1 lb. of icing sugar to 1 lb. of ground almonds, the juice of a lemon, and 2 egg yolks kneaded together will do the trick. Add a dash of brandy for keeping reasons. A little jelly brushed over the sides and top of the cake will hold the paste to the cake nicely.

◇ Royal white icing: 1 lb. of icing sugar, beaten white of 2 eggs and three drops of acetic acid beaten together until the icing stands alone. Dip your knife in very hot water before you start spreading icing on the cake.

◇ The decoration I leave to you. Santa Claus silver bells, multi-coloured sweets, a sugar aeroplane, or a frosted Christmas tree.



### AT SISTER SUSIE'S KNITTING BEE

BY MRS. "X"

"FOR those in peril on the sea," our thoughts and knitting pins this week are at their service. If we can help, they shall never have cold feet.

Here are the official instructions. Use strong worsted, 1 oz. to a yard, and a grey colour. They should come well over the knee with a deep band of ribbing. The length for a large size is 28 inches leg with a 12 inches waist and a 16 inches skirt.

If any of you would like exact instructions for knitting them I shall be very pleased to send them to you post free. A stamped addressed envelope should be enclosed and addressed to "Sister Susie," The People's Acre House, Long Acre, London, W.C.2.

This pattern is delicious made as a roly poly tied in a floured cloth and boiled for 2½ hours.—Mrs. E. Waller, 23, Delfield, St. Albans, Herts.

## Give the PARSNIP Its Due

YOU can't make enough of the parsnip. You can mash it, fry it, bake it, make it into a heady wine or a creamy purée. A good friend to the housewife in the winter is the parsnip. You have, I know, a recipe all of your own for dealing with this sweet flavoured root.

Write it on a postcard and send it to "Harrowgate," The People's Acre House, Long Acre, London, W.C.2, to arrive not later than Thursday, December 14. Five shillings will be paid for each recipe published.

Here are last week's winning pudding recipes:

### MUTTON PUDDING

SOME square pieces of mutton, suet crust, pepper, salt, parsley, onions (sliced), raw potatoes, sliced tomatoes (if liked).

Line a pudding basin with the crust. Put in a layer of meat, season to taste. Add some sliced onions and raw potato. Continue these layers until basin is full. Add a little water and dredge lightly with flour.

Cover with a lid of crust. Press edges well together, tie down securely with a well-floured cloth. Boil 2½ hours.—Mrs. D. Meeks, Hillcrest, Selston, Nottingham.

### STEAMED LIVER

INGREDIENTS: ½ lb. liver, 2 onions, 1 dessertspoonful flour, 2 tablespoomfuls of breadcrumbs, 2 tablespoomfuls of oatmeal, a little milk.

Parboil the liver and grate finely. Mix the flour, oatmeal, breadcrumbs, onions and a little milk. Add the liver and the onions and mix to a soft dough with milk.

Grease a basin, press in the mixture, cover with a soft dough of flour and milk, and steam for 3 hours.—Mrs. W. Mustard, 27, Seaford-st, Cullen, Banffshire.

### SAVOURY PORK

CUT into squares 1 lb. lean pork, ½ lb. pig's liver, dip into seasoned flour. Chop into dice 1 small onion and 1 small potato.

Mince suet crust and line a basin. Put in the meat, onion, potato and little salt, also a sprinkling of sage. Add 1½ gill of stock, or water cover in the usual way and steam 3 hours.

This recipe is delicious made as a roly poly tied in a floured cloth and boiled for 2½ hours.—Mrs. E. Waller, 23, Delfield, St. Albans, Herts.

### NAVY THREE DECKER

INGREDIENTS: 1 lb. stewing steak, 1 lb. carrots, onions and turnips, 1 lb. plain flour, 1 lb. suet.

Put one layer of chopped meat and vegetables at the bottom of a basin, cover with water and season. Then a layer of suet crust, another layer of meat and vegetables, and so on until the basin is full. Cover with greaseproof paper and steam for four hours. This is a very tasty and economical pudding.—Mrs. E. Crane, 12, Hampton-nd, Forest Gate, E.7.



## A secret for young mothers about colds

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He says I look 10 years younger



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I use Tokalon Rose Skinfood every night. It contains 'Biocel', the amazing vital youth element—the discovery of a famous University Professor. During the day I use Crème Tokalon White Colour to make skin clear and smooth, free from blackheads and enlarged pores.

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## CHEERY COONS' CORNER

Conducted by Eb' & Flo'

CHRISTMAS FALLS ON DECEMBER 6

SANTA CLAUS, another name for Saint Nicholas, and Saint Nicholas Day falls on December 6. You can't have Christmas on December 25, of course, but in many countries Santa Claus pays his visits before this date.

In America Santa Claus comes on December 6—not "down the chimney" as in England, but through the door, bringing with him the "black" demons who bring to many a naughty child a bad order.

He is not "so black as he is painted" because he carries on his back a load of toys and sweets. He should find a naughty child, though, and drop charcoal into their shoes instead of coal.

Holland holds the feast of Santa Claus about December 5. Here the bishop visits the children, and if they have been good, gives the children cake, dolls and biscuits.

WHAT A SURPRISE!

A bee-keeper living in South Africa was very astonished one day, on lifting the lid of a beehive, to find a pair of Cape Cormorants sitting on the top of the hive. They had built a nest of moss and leaves, and in the centre of this five blind young were found.

WHY HAD NOT THE BABIES BEEN BORN?

One of the customers of a New York confectioner is a wire-haired fox terrier. Every afternoon when the dog comes up to the counter and barks twice, that's a signal for the salesmen to dash up a double portion of cake.

This he gives to the dog after removing a dime (sixpence) from a purse attached to his collar. The terrier laps up his ice cream, gives one grateful bark and patters out of the shop.

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### CHEERY COONS PRIZEWINNERS

First Prize of £1 to:

John Kenrick, Tan-y-Fron, Morfa-Nevin, N. Wales.

Second Prize of 15s. to:

Jack E. 13, Elm Grove-nd, Farnborough, Hants.

Third Prize of 10s. to:

P. Hookway, 47, Elton-place, Larkhall, Bath.

Ten Prizes of 1s. 6d. to:

Dora Stephenson, 146, High-st, Yeaton, Leek, Staffordshire.

Patricia Probert, 2, Corrington, Pennington, Lancs.

John Probert, 2, Corrington, Pennington, Lancs.

HEROES  
of the  
GREAT WAR

YOUNG "Geordie" Wilson stirred restlessly in his bed at the end of the long white-dismayed hospital ward somewhere behind the lines.

He could see the sun shining through the window just of his left, and he was wondering whether the sun was shining in dear old Edinburgh and how many papers the rest of the newsboys were selling in Princes-st.

For George Wilson had sold papers in the shadow of stately Edinburgh Castle before he had come to France to fight with the Highland Light Infantry.

It seemed to him ages since he had last shouted "Late Special!" among the homeward hurrying crowds and, although only a few months had passed, this gallant Scot had packed into them a lifetime of thrills.

Suddenly a slow, deep and kindly voice disturbed his reverie.

"That was a very brave deed," said the voice; and, looking up, Wilson saw a bearded officer in a British uniform regarding him with friendly eyes.

Something familiar in that bearded profile stirred a chord in the newsboy soldier's heart. His heart began to race alarmingly. He blushed scarlet.

## Big-Hearted

AND, for probably the first time in his life, he was at a loss for words. It could not be... it was... the King!

"If there were such a thing as a double V.C. you would have earned it," said King George, bending closer to the pillow. "You are not a very big man, but you must have a very big heart."

Then he pinned something to young George Wilson's pyjama jacket, shook him warmly by the hand, and passed on down the ward leaving him staring in astonishment at the scarlet ribbon and cross that decorated his left breast.



By PIERS ENGLAND

A few months ago he had been selling papers on the street corner. And now he had shaken hands with the King! Can you wonder that as the proudest moment of his life?

Pew among the thousands of acts of gallantry performed during the last war captured and held the public imagination in quite the same way as Private George Wilson's heroic feat in the woods near Verneuil.

Writing home to his sister afterwards he said:

"I am recommended for bravery for capturing a machine-gun and going into the German firing-line and shooting an officer. I sat down and turning their gun on them and carrying in a mate of the King's Royal Rifles who was riddled with bullets."

No one expects descriptive flights from a newsboy; but, even so, it was

impetuous and blunt of speech, but utterly fearless and trustworthy.

Wilson won his Victoria Cross after the Battle of the Marne when the German troops were being pushed back towards the Aisne by the Allied forces.

Before each side dug themselves in, there was a good deal of guerrilla warfare and hand-to-hand skirmishes in which they advanced and retreated for positions.

Wilson's regiment, the Highland Light Infantry, supported by the King's Royal Rifles, took a prominent part in these engagements, and it was on the morning of September 14, 1914, that they found themselves in a tight and decidedly warm corner just outside Verneuil.

There were sixteen men in the party, led by Sir Archibald Gibson Craig, and they were attempting to dislodge the Germans from a patch of wooded country that commanded the section of trench from which they were covering the rest of the company's retreat.

Their first charge across the open space between their line and the trees had been met with a hail of machine-gun fire so withering that they had to fall back.

## Over The Top

FROM the trench Wilson, peering cautiously over the sandbagged parapet, detected the stealthy movement of grey-clad figures among the trees. He drew his officer's attention to this, but as the officer levelled his field-glasses to investigate he was shot through the head.

As the officer dropped the young Scot saw red. Careless of his own safety, he stood erect and fired. In the trees a German threw up his arms and fell.

Wilson fired again and another German spun like a top and went down.

Excited by the success of his sharp-shooting, the ex-newsboy fixed his bayonet and went "over the top" on his own.

Shouts of "Come back!" echoed behind him as he dashed towards the wood, but "Geordie" Wilson's fighting blood was up and he paid no more attention to them than he did to the machine-gun bullets that were whistling about his head.

With more than half the distance covered safely he dropped into the shelter of a slight depression from which he could observe the enemy while regaining his breath.

Just ahead he could see a party of eight Germans escorting two British prisoners back towards their own lines.

Without hesitation Wilson sprang from his refuge.

"Come on, men! Charge!" he yelled as boldly as if he had been heading a whole regiment instead of being there on his own.

That bluff, reckless though it was, succeeded. Up went sixteen hands!

"If there were such a thing as a double V.C., you would have earned it." Those were the words spoken by King George V as he pinned the coveted bronze cross to the breast of George Wilson, former Edinburgh newsboy. And here is the inspiring story of the heroic deed which earned such rare recognition.



GEORGE WILSON

V.C.

crouched behind the gun, pumped a constant stream of bullets up and down the line.

"There's a taste of yer own medicine," he growled.

By this time news of the activity in the wood had reached the German field batteries behind their lines and they were concentrating heavy shell fire on the position, but Wilson hung on until he had broken the German advance.

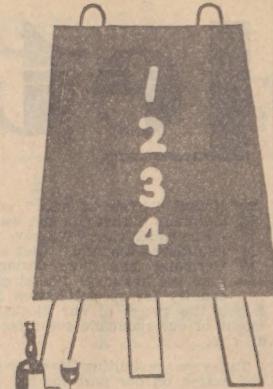
It was afterwards estimated that he accounted for 300 Germans in that brief account and the machine-guns triggered him.

Not until there was no one left to fight did he think of leaving, and then, dodging through the barrage of shells, he reached the British trench unscathed.

But the strain of that last hectic hour had taken its toll, and the tough Scots newsboy fainted as his comrades crowded about him to shake him by the hand and congratulate him.

But the tale of his bravery was not yet done. As soon as he recovered he slipped out of the trench and braved the hell of fire to bring in the machine-guns on his shoulders.

And having done this and learning that the wounded soldier who had first accompanied him had not been rescued, the gallant Scot went out again to carry him in to safety.



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Scientists prove that 1st Group Sleep is vital factor in counteracting war strain

There are  
3 Sleep Groups

WHICH DO YOU BELONG TO?



HOME IN THE DARK. The physical strain of war weighs more heavily on some people than on others, but none of us escapes

MOST PEOPLE think that when they're asleep their minds are at rest. This is not always true. In times of exceptional strain like these, most people's brains and nerves go on worrying all night even though the body is asleep. And that simple fact explains how the war has brought about such an enormous increase in "nerves," tiredness and run-down condition.

Scientists explain it by pointing out that all people belong to one of 3 Sleep Groups—1st Group, 2nd Group, 3rd Group.

If you belong to the 1st Sleep Group, your brain and nerves rest perfectly as well as your body. But if you belong to the 2nd or 3rd Sleep Group, your brain and nerves are activated all night by the body's excess acid waste products which accumulate in the blood. You wake still tired every morning—feel "nervy," fagged out.

After experimenting with many substances, doctors found that it was Horlicks alone which completely counteracted these excess acid waste products, when taken at bedtime. Horlicks thus guards against Night Starvation and gives you 1st Group Sleep.

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3rd SLEEP GROUP  
Bad sleepers, people who find it hard to go to sleep, or people who wake tired in the morning belong to the 3rd Group. The kind of sleep drain on the physical, nervous and mental powers. The cause is excess acid waste products in the blood at night—activating brain and nerves. Hospital tests prove Horlicks corrects this.

2nd SLEEP GROUP  
People in this Group seem to sleep well enough, yet feel they lack the energy, feel "nervy," run-down. They can't concentrate. Their trouble is the same as that of people in Group 3, to a slightly lesser degree. Hospital tests prove that Horlicks overcomes this condition—ensures 1st Group Sleep.

1st SLEEP GROUP  
People in this Group sleep perfectly when they go to bed. They get on 6 hours in bed, they have plenty of energy during the day. They are never handicapped by "nerves" or tiredness. They get the right kind of sleep—that completely refreshing 1st Group Sleep which everybody should have and that Horlicks alone gives.

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Children are stowed away in safe places, while the burden of anxiety weighs on all of us. It takes its toll of health and nervous energy. The best way to save our strength and strength is to get 1st Group Sleep every night.

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Lux dissolves completely—cleanses even in cold water!

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## LIFE'S BIG PROBLEMS

"SERVICE" IS THE MOTTO

By the People's Friend

"WAT can I make out of it?" I wonder how many people are looking at this war from that thoroughly selfish point of view? I wonder how many people are seeking not to serve their country but themselves, not to give but to gain?

They are in the minority—that is certain—for the men and women of Britain have answered her call for volunteers in amazing numbers.

But the few remain, the few who look for profit in war—

who are out to feather their own nests at the expense of others.

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"WE were promised that this time there would be no stay-at-home millionaires, no "war" fortunes made from the sufferings of others, but you can take it from me that there are plenty of unscrupulous people doing "very nicely" in a quiet way.

You come upon them openly boasting of what they consider to be their "shrewdness."

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"THIS war can go on as long as it likes," said one to me the other day. "It has trebled my profits over the last three months."

He made this callous confession unblushingly, without a vestige of decent shame—and he looked hurt because I excused myself and walked away!

And he is not the only black sheep I have met. There are more of the same breed looking for what they can "make" gloating over the opportunities for polite banditry that these days afford.

Well, if that's business, I thank heaven I'm no business man."

These, above all other days, are times for service and self-sacrifice.

See what you can put into winning this war, not what you can get out of the fighting of it!



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## EAR "COMPASS," GUIDES MEN, BIRDS, ANIMALS

## SCIENTIST DISCOVERS "SIXTH SENSE"



LIKE IT, ADOLF?

## Bird Saved An Airman's Life

## PIGEON BURIED WITH ARMY HONOURS

## BRILLIANT SCHOLAR'S "MAD OUTBURST"

Bromley, Kent, Saturday. THOMAS KENNETH BARRETT, aged thirty, of Page Heath-lane, Bickley, Kent, who was described by a detective as a "man with a most brilliant scholastic and University career" was bound over here to-day for two years, on charges of obtaining £12 by false pretences from shopkeepers.

Mr. Claude Hornby, defending, said Barrett obtained his double first at the University. He went to India, contracted fever, lost everything.

He was a Lecturer at three Universities, but lost these appointments by the war. Then went three children.

He had had no holiday for eight years, and for four years was hardly ever out of the doctor's hands.

His wife's serious illness was the last straw. It started an avalanche of debts. The war came, he was worried to death, and this "ridiculous inexplicable and mad outburst of passing due cheques was the result!"

His friends were compensating the tradespeople.

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## IT KEEPS YOU UPRIGHT IN BLACKOUT

A SIXTH SENSE, EVEN MORE AMAZING THAN SIGHT, HEARING, SMELL, TASTE OR TOUCH, HAS BEEN DISCOVERED BY A FAMOUS BRITISH EAR SPECIALIST.

And in making that discovery he has solved some of the problems that have puzzled scientists for more than a century.

He has found that every living thing that moves—birds, beasts, fish and insects as well as human beings—possesses this "sixth sense" to a greater or less degree.

In you and me, as inhabitants of a civilised land, it is almost dormant. In the African native it is sharpened to an amazing degree.

It guides birds as they wing their way across vast oceans and great continents.

It brings the elephant half-way across Africa to the bone and tusk-littered graveyard where its fathers and forefathers knelt down to die.

It tells your dog the way home through miles of strange streets when it escapes from the thief who has carried it away.

For want of a better word we call it "instinct." But it is something more than that—something tangible, something that you can see and touch, although if you held it in the palm of your hand it would be almost lost, for it is less than the size of a pea.

It is this—a "compass" more accurate and reliable than any scientist could devise—that holds the homing pigeon dead on its course and takes young eels from English waters right back to the warm Barbadoes seas to spawn.

If your "compass" were not deadened through lack of exercise you would never be lost in the thickest fog, nor would you ever have to look at street names to find your way about.

NEVER FAILING GUIDE

Magnetic rays radiating from the ground over which you walk would draw you straight to your destination by the shortest possible route.

For more than an hour yesterday this scientist, in the first interview on the subject he has ever granted to a newspaper, described to me the astonishing powers of this "compass."

In nine cases out of ten it is located in the ears—although it has nothing to do with the sense of hearing, but in certain forms of animal life the "compass" is carried in the creature's legs.

In either case it works with the same extraordinary accuracy, responding to the attraction of the earth's magnetic rays and providing a never-failing guide whenever it is needed.

The experiments of my informant with racing pigeons at his home on the South-East Coast have proved beyond doubt that without the aid of their "compasses" these birds, however carefully trained, lose all sense of direction.

## JUNGLE EXPERIENCES

A slight incision behind the ear renders them completely helpless so far as homing is concerned, although none of their other powers—of flight, hearing or sight—is impaired.

The specialist told me that this amazing "compass" which brings the pigeon back to its loft, even when it is released hundreds of miles away, is present in every creature that has the gift of moving from one place to another.

The elephant has a "compass"; so, too, has the tiniest ant. It guides fish on their mysterious migrations and brings the bee straight back to the hive.

Only "highly civilised" human beings need maps and signposts to guide them on their journeys.

The black man, set down in the middle of the bush country or the heart of the densest jungle, would not be lost.

His ear "compasses" would guide him two or three hundred miles to his kraal.

The specialist, who has done a good deal of big game shooting, has seen many proofs of this in the wilds.

He told me of one occasion when he was after buffalo and his native guide, an experienced and trusted man, suddenly and unaccountably lost his way. For the whole of one day he was helpless as a white man in the bush.

At the same time he complained of pain in his ears, and when this abated and an abscess burst, his sense of direction returned.

The only cases of civilised white people with the same powers have been those born blind. Men and women who go blind in after life do develop their "compasses," but not to the same degree.

## They're In The Money!



## Doom Of "Little Hitlers"

## STEPS TO END THEIR RULE

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

STEPS WILL BE TAKEN IN PARLIAMENT ON THURSDAY TO DETHRONE THE "LITTLE HITLERS" WHO HAVE SET THEMSELVES UP AS TOWN COUNCIL DICTATORS SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE WAR.

Scores of councils, exercising the authority delegated to them under the Defence Regulations, have to all intents and purposes disbanded their normal elected town councils, and concentrated all power in the hands of a small group, usually consisting of the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Town Clerk and Chief Constable.

Sometimes the power is even more concentrated, the Mayor and the Town Clerk having appointed themselves as the Hitler and Goering of their borough.

Now Sir Herbert Williams, M.P. for Croydon, is asking the Minister of Health to issue orders requiring all Town Councils to resume their normal monthly meetings at once, and to west—in peace time—all authority in the full council.

## AT THE L.C.C.

He will point out that the emergency powers, which gave dictatorial authority to the Big Two or "Big Four," were drawn up on the assumption that there might be active warfare on the Home Front, with the possibility of whole towns and districts being wiped out by aerial bombardment.

And he will urge that until such a state of affairs comes about—if ever it does—Town Councils should revert to their normal form of democratic government.

Members of the Labour Party are supporting Sir Herbert Williams in this demand.

The London County Council, which is under Labour rule, a few days ago set an example to the country by announcing it will revert at once to monthly meetings of the full council.

## IT'S A GIRL!

The birth of a daughter was announced yesterday to Lady Prudence London, youngest daughter of the late Earl Jellicoe and the Countess Jellicoe. Lady Prudence is the wife of Lieut. P. W. H. London, of Wye, Kent. They were married in 1936, and this is their second child.

## Safer Streets In Black-out

## NEW SCHEMES FOR LIGHTING

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

YET ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO MAKE OUR STREETS SAFER IN THE BLACK-OUT IS TO BE MADE THIS WEEK WHEN A NEW LIGHTING SCHEME WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMISSIONER OF THE METROPOLITAN POLICE BY MR. RONALD BIRT, AN EALING BOROUGH ELECTRICAL ENGINEER, AND MR. C. W. SEDDON, THE BOROUGH SURVEYOR.

It consists of an electrically illuminated sign reading "Cross Here" to be fixed on street refuges, the whole of which it illuminates.

Experiments have been made with it on several evenings during the last week, and have, it is claimed, proved successful, people from several yards away seeing the light clearly in the blackout walked up to the crossing and used it in safety.

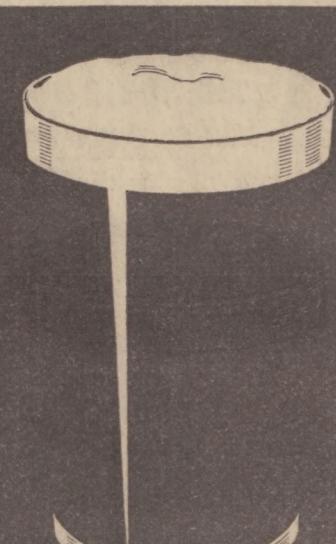
The sign, devised by Mr. R. H. Masterman, an electrical engineer, bears the St. Andrew's Cross, which is the new warning to motorists of a pedestrian crossing.

Another scheme is to fix red and white panels on each side of lamp posts to illuminate them by a device in the lamp post light, which throws the light downwards.

The lamp posts will guide motorists along the road by displaying white lights on their left and red lights on their offside.

The red lights will warn them when they are proceeding too far over to the right.

The lamp posts will also be a guide and help to pedestrians.



## "The People's" Secret Service News

REGRETTABLE though the sinking of certain of our naval vessels is, there is no need for alarm. The Navy is stronger now than it was at the beginning of the war.

New ships are launched at the rate of one and two a week.

And there is still 1,000,000 tons of naval ships on the stocks, rapidly proceeding towards completion, and including battleships, aircraft carriers, cruisers, destroyers and submarines.

Twenty large ships have been requisitioned by the Government, to bring to this country large quantities of wheat and other grain from Argentina and U.S.A.

LARGE-SCALE construction of aerodromes in Western Germany, behind the Siegfried Line, is now being carried out. Thousands of conscripted labourers have been brought from Poland and Czechoslovakia.

Scores of bombing squadrons formerly quartered in Eastern Germany are being brought to the west.

All these depots are photographed by the R.A.F. and French Air Force patrols. It is doubtful whether the aerodromes will be in existence for many hours after any large-scale air offensive on the frontier.

Despite Nazi denials, well-authenticated reports insist that Herr Hugenberg, Nazi industrialist Number Three, has followed Herr Thyssen over the frontier.

When the moment came, Germany could do as she liked with the Soviet and its boasted legions.

Thus Stalin, the dupe. He may think himself clever because Berlin's given him rope—but that rope may be used for other purposes later!

the introduction of Bolshevism into Germany seven years ago.

Indus talist Number Two, Krupp von Frensen-Halbach, head of the great Krupp's armament works at Essen, has also started to doubt the Führer's infallibility.

In a recent speech to his workmen he expressed his doubt about the outcome of the war. That, from a man whose whole fortune depends on war, is significant. But so far he has not fled the country.

NEUTRAL of importance in London last week was asked concerning his visit to Russia what he thought of Stalin and the Red Army.

To the question "Is Stalin a clever man?" he replied, significantly, "It depends—you might call a card sharper clever you know."

His impression was that, contrary to British beliefs, Stalin was Ribbentrop's dupe.

"For," he said, "Hitler and Ribbentrop know perfectly well that Stalin has at most 200,000 first line troops—the rest are merely untrained peasants.

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It's good to get home to a

GUINNESS

You've been working hard—you need a Guinness to refresh you. You're tired, physically and mentally—a glass of Guinness is a cheerful sight.

Guinness might have been specially made for times like these. To strengthen and encourage you, there's nothing like a Guinness.





**"FOOD MUSTN'T COST MORE THAN 23/- A WEEK for the 4 of us if I am to manage"**

SAYS MRS. ROBERTS, OF PRESTON

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Electricity . . . . .	2 9
Clothes . . . . .	2 6
Insurance . . . . .	1 3
Food . . . . .	1 3 0
Husbands' cigarettes, expenses, etc. . . . .	3 6
	£ 2 10 0

The whole Roberts family have felt better fed since mother discovered that **ROWNTREE'S COCOA AIDS DIGESTION**

"NATURALLY I'm proud of the youngsters," said Mrs. Roberts, "but being proud doesn't satisfy their appetites! They're both so athletic!—Therese, who's 13, has won certificates for swimming! They come home as hungry as hunters!—and they both seem to be really strong and healthy on the food I give them!"

"Of course, I'm thankful to Rowntree's Cocoa I've discovered that it is not only a nourishing food itself, but also helps the family to digest the other food I give them with it. That's why all their meals go further, thanks to Rowntree's!"



More for Dad! Young Bernard's nearly ready for another tot, too. And Therese is grinning at them—but she's got hers!

**ROWNTREE'S COCOA AIDS digestion**  
MAKES EVERY MEAL GO FURTHER

WEAKNESS AFTER CHILLS THREATENS YOU WITH GREATER ILLS

**Hall's Wine**  
THE TONIC BUILDER will save you from them



Getting over a cold? Beware the peril of the more serious illness that strikes in this treacherous weather and nervy atmosphere. And if infection, or even another chill, strikes you today, it will find your system not only weakened by your cold, but changed in its needs by your years. What would help you when you were younger may not be any good to you today. You need the aid of the vital tonic-builder—Hall's Wine.

#### New-found Strength

The medicaments in Hall's Wine, and nature's living force itself in Hall's Wine, combine to bring you new-found strength. Here is a miracle of life! Hall's Wine holds for your revitalisation the secret of more than thirty vital constituents; born in Nature, nursed and matured in her life-giving bosom. Moreover, each constituent is dependent on the others for its full effect. Combined as they are in Hall's Wine,

these elements of health and strength have amazing health-giving force.

#### Economical

Considering the unsurpassed merit of Hall's Wine it is astonishing that a large bottle costs only 5/6. Remember in buying Hall's Wine you are not experimenting with half measures. You are following a million other happy travellers along a known road to lasting recovery. Get your bottle of Hall's Wine today!

From Wine Merchants and Grocers and Chemists with wine licences. See also the Hall's Wine Co., Ltd., Bayswater, London, E.3. (268)



**HALL'S WINE**  
No increase in price at present  
LARGE BOTTLE 5/6  
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## Edward Lyndoe's Predictions

PLAN WITH THE PLANETS

THE SITUATION IN FINLAND FOLLOWS CLOSELY THE COURSE PREDICTED BY ME. I WARNED YOU WEEKS AGO THAT RUSSIA WAS ABOUT TO INDULGE IN A PIECE OF DELIBERATE TERRITORY-GRABBING.

Her gains in the Baltic, however, are going to be counter-balanced by developments due shortly in the East.

Meanwhile, the war rapidly develops into a phase of guerrilla struggle. Later, other participants will enter upon the scene and supplies and volunteers will be forthcoming to assist the Finns.

SUDDEN moves by Mussolini are due any time now and confirm predictions already made by me. I still insist that Italy will eventually throw her weight against Communism.



ANOTHER point: I suggest you watch Turkey closely during the next few weeks. There are abundant signs of strong reactions there against the latest developments in Russian foreign policy, and I am anticipating some sensational action directed against the Reds.

MY recent remarks regarding Goering are almost due for fulfilment. Within a month at most I can foresee an extraordinary re-shuffle in the Nazi hierarchy with a strong anti-Ribbentrop movement well launched.

Meanwhile the next moves appear to be strong measures directed against the Catholics. These will provoke the strongest protest yet issued by the Vatican, and I am anticipating a world call by the Pope to resist such penalisation.

A. J. Russell's speculations in last Sunday's "People" fully bear out my own views as to the probability of Hitler's violent end. The relative positions of Mars and Saturn on the 11th of February next, together with the Eclipse on the 7th of April, to my mind are danger periods for the German leader.

## BRIEF BIRTHDAY INDICATIONS

(Applying to those whose anniversaries occur this week)

TODAY

NO serious disadvantages affect you this year, but you must be prepared for a number of minor setbacks. Irritating hitches likely in your plans, and business interests move at a sluggish pace.

TOMORROW

Money tends to be a problem for you this year, and financial strain may cramp your activities in other directions. I recommend caution in dealing with business affairs and great care to see that you do not permit losses through negligence.

IN SPITE OF THE INCREASED DEMANDS ON YOUR PURSE, THIS IS QUITE A HELPFUL YEAR IN THE MAIN. I SEE NO SERIOUS OBSTACLES TO PROGRESS.

TUESDAY

Pleasant enough so far as business interests are concerned, but you will be rather at sea emotionally. There are signs of a number of disturbances and I strongly advise you against taking hasty decisions in connection

with either your friendships or family affairs.

Financially, the prospects are sound, although there is no evidence of developments of first-class importance.

WEDNESDAY

One of the most interesting years you have had for a long time, and new developments promise to crowd in upon you thick and fast. The financial prospects are particularly heartening and show considerable expansion on rather unexpected lines. Changes are a marked feature.

HOW WE ALL STAND THIS (Look for your birth date below to find your section)

MARCH 21 to APRIL 20  
AFTER a rather dull beginning, your week quickly improves, and Wednesday is likely to prove one of the most interesting days of the whole month. I expect an important development then in home affairs, or possibly one of your friends may provide a pleasant surprise. It is easily the best day for tackling any changes you have on hand.

APRIL 21 to MAY 20

Exciting week for most of you, with some special benefits on Wednesday. There is a general quickening of the pace round about mid-week, culminating in some unexpected, but pleasant, developments on Saturday. This is definitely the week to choose for launching new schemes. Be on the alert to seize your opportunities.

MAY 21 to JUNE 20

Rather an up-and-down kind of week which will need careful hand-

ling both at the beginning and again at the end. The early days appear to produce a domestic crisis. Wednesday promises to bring an important development in your finances, and I urge you to concentrate on that part of the week for settling all business arrangements.

JUNE 21 to JULY 20

Apart from interesting developments on Wednesday this is an uninspiring week. Monday brings your financial worries to a head and, to make things worse, friends tend to prove unreliable. Thursday is a more encouraging day financially, but there are still considerable risks attached to unusual moves of any kind.

JULY 21 to AUGUST 21

Your week begins on a dull note and there is little prospect of improvement this side of next Saturday. Your wisest course will be to leave things as they are for a few days. Changes would be most unwise at this stage. Wednesday is a reasonably good day for tackling urgent problems, but it is followed by a particularly trying Thursday.

AUGUST 22 to SEPTEMBER 22

Both the beginning and the end of this week are going to prove trying for most of you. I advise you to concentrate your major efforts on Wednesday and Thursday. The early days are spoilt by an upset in your private life.

SEPTEMBER 23 to OCTOBER 22

Wednesday marks the peak point of an exciting week. Most of you can expect a general quickening in your affairs as the week progresses, and from Wednesday to Saturday I do not doubt that you will get things pretty much your own way.

STARLET 21 to JANUARY 10

Quiet week, and the best opportunities for progress are due on Monday and again at next weekend.

I recommend plenty of caution regarding the intervening days, and Wednesday, in particular, may give you some trouble.

JANUARY 20 to FEBRUARY 18

Friday is the only day likely to give you trouble. The remainder of the week is most helpful from the point of view of your major interests.

Tuesday may bring a disappointment in connection with correspondence but Wednesday is a fine day, especially for your finances.

FEBRUARY 19 to MARCH 20

Best day for pushing your plans is Wednesday, and new developments timed for then have a more than average chance of success. The tail end of the week, unfortunately, restores the rather dull conditions of the early days. Extra expenditure may have led to some temporary financial strain, and I advise against accepting any new commitments on Friday.

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# The good COMPANION

There are many things to be said for and about beer in this strangest of wars.

From the duty on beer, for instance, the Chancellor estimates he will receive over a quarter of a million pounds daily!

"Beer," a Member of Parliament tells us, "is a staple article in the diet of most British workmen, particularly those engaged in heavy industries" . . .

But most remarkable is how beer and its traditional partner, the pub, have helped us through the dark evenings of trying weeks.

You remember those first few nights! The cinemas — taken from us; the confinement of our blacked-in homes; and then how, in the pub down the road, where we went for a glass of beer, we found joking, warm-heartedness, comradeship and that very liberty and wit which this war is being waged to end.

Beer never did more for us than it has done these days — heartening us without harming, building strength and appetite with its barley malt and hops, giving us the cheerfulness which will

You Will Agree That—

## SLOGANS DON'T COUNT

By "THE PHILOSOPHER"

**S**TATESMEN HAVE A WAY OF THINKING OUT SLOGANS AND HOPING THE CROWDS WILL FOLLOW THE BANNERS. THE DEMENTED MAN ON THE CONTINENT WANTED "LIVING-SPACE," AND AIMED AT ACQUIRING IT BY "LIGHTNING WARS."

Following this lead, President Roosevelt had others, like "the blessings of democracy" and "the integrity of small nations."

Now, we know that, in effect, the latter one doesn't mean a thing. Invasions come and go, and on each occasion this emblazoned motto is forgotten.

Everyone is sorry for the Finns. They have British and American sympathy.

We must note especially this sympathy of Americans, "to whose hearts Finnish independence has always been dear."

But sympathy costs nothing and cuts no Baltic ice. Still, the loan gesture to Finland was a nice one.

But requests to belligerents to spare civilians from bombing are superfluous. Modern aggression knows no rules but the necessity of self-interest.

NE Thing HAS BECOME CLEAR DURING THE PAST TWO OR THREE YEARS. VAGUE EXPRESSIONS OF SUPPORT HAVE BEEN UNWISELY OFFERED BY BIG POWERS TO SMALL THREATENED NATIONS.

When the explosion has arrived, the big Powers, time and again, have remained sheepishly in the background and done nothing!

In this respect U.S.A. is the chief offender. There have been Abyssinia, Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland. And now we have Finland.

I lay blame for at least half the sequence on the great white race across the water.

Their isolationist policy has withheld Christian co-operation which would have stopped the avalanche.

BUT I AM WRONG IN SAYING THE AMERICANS DO NOTHING AFTER EACH ATTACK. THEY CHANGE THEIR TACTICS.

Down come the fine banners, so that their slogans may be introduced into official typewritten protests.

For, in U.S.A. they are good at the typewriting business.

And the latest novelty is an up-to-date duplicator functioning at the White House.

They turn the handle and, on the copies, fill in the date, country attacked, and the aggressor, along the dotted lines.

Finland, indeed, is just one of a series, and all France and Britain can do is to carry on and pray for her.

There will be little coming over the Atlantic, beyond sweet-nothings, and aeroplanes at a price.

Even protests will cease, because there have been so many "profound shocks" that the duplicator ink is running dry.

Yet, hope springs eternal. Maybe, through long isolationist consciences wisdom will pierce.

Maybe, one day, we shall have a world-wide democratic pool of supplies, munitions, merchant ships and food.

AND MAYBE NOT?

# HEALTH news

If nerve suffering is your trouble read these two remarkable cases, which show you how to overcome your weakness and make a good recovery.

We suffered from NERVES, SLEEPLESSNESS, DEPRESSION

Now—  
"She improves daily!"

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## Feet ARE WORKING OVERTIME THESE DAYS

No wonder they ache, burn and throb!

You're on your feet more than ever now. A good part of the time you're right on your toes! Your feet need help—the ease, comfort and protection that Simpson Brand Iodine Socks give you: protection not only for your feet but for your whole body, by safeguarding it from infection.

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it part of your body to feel the bad effects of  
it worry, poor sleep and irregular meals  
er. Your liver should pour out two pins of  
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it can't make you feel fit and able to do

it with a smile. What you need is Carter's

Little Liver Pills—harmless, gentle, you

it in making bile flow freely. Next morning

it's all well again. Get a large tin of

it Fynnon Salt to day—only 1/3 from your

it chemist.—Advt.

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# The Folks Won't Go To See War Football

By LONG ACRE

THIRTY-SHILLING football still fails to attract the crowds with an exception or two. By the way, the thirty shillings refers to the players' payments, not the net rates.

THREE-SHILLING football still makes this clear, for the outcome of one match in the West Coast of the Football League share was £15,000. The West Country clubs are doing far better, and some of them may fall to the wayside.

CLUBS HAVING FOUND itself roundabout £25 out of pocket after they had paid their travel expenses and had received their share of the gate.

THE root of the trouble is the

rooting and changing of the football fan likes to himself this team to cheer old Bill and Young Harry and, maybe, barack Fred, who he doesn't think is worth a cent.

He doesn't care for a lot of outsiders, football clubs should pass up weekly showbiz telling the customers that they will see the lines of mudmills.

THE may ask is it right that the country's own players should be deprived in this way of their chance of earning the thirty bob that goes to each player per

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Young Harry and, maybe, barack

Fred, who he doesn't think

is worth a cent.

He doesn't care for a lot of outsiders,

football clubs should pass up

weekly showbiz telling the

customers that they will see

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THE may ask is it right that the

country's own players should be

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# Can Women Keep A Secret?

# M.P.s WARNED, "DON'T TELL THE WIFE"

Nazi Troops Fail Again

## FRENCH FIRE DRIVES THEM BACK IN WEST

ALTHOUGH GERMAN PATROLS HAVE RECENTLY BEEN VERY ACTIVE ON THE WESTERN FRONT, THEY CONTINUE TO FAIL.

Nazi troops have been driven back by French infantry fire without taking the hoped-for prisoners.

## CHINESE RECAPTURE TWO CITIES

CHINESE forces have recaptured Chaochow and Chaoan, two cities on the Kwangtung-Fukien border near Swatow, according to the latest military despatches from Foochow.

After the Japanese had occupied Chaoan, in South Fukien, Chinese forces, aided by reinforcements, launched a counter-attack and entered the walled city near the Kwangtung border.

After almost 24 hours of severe hand-to-hand street fighting, the Chinese finally completed the occupation of Chaoan.

Another big Chinese success over Japanese forces north of Nanning, the strategic city in Kwangsi Province, on the highway to French Indo-China, is claimed in a Chinese telegram reaching London last night.

Effective Chinese resistance in this area, it is stated, compelled the Japanese to relinquish with heavy losses the advance positions they had taken up.

Fighting is now raging about 20 miles north and north-east of Nanning. Chinese troops, it is claimed, are ceaselessly attacking Japanese supply units and harassing Japanese communications.—Reuter.

## NAVY'S CALL TO "OLD-TIMERS"

Men who have previously served in the Royal Navy or Royal Marines are invited by the Admiralty to apply for Service for the duration of the war.

Candidates must not have reached forty-six, and must fulfil certain other conditions, particulars of which may be had on application by letter to the nearest Royal Navy and Royal Marine recruiting office, the address of which can be obtained from the nearest post office; or from the Director of Naval Recruiting, 88, Whitehall, London, S.W.1.

Service certificate, or some other discharge document should accompany applications.

Yesterday morning's French communiqué said: "Infantry and artillery activity at various points of the Front."

Raids by German reconnaissance parties have been particularly frequent and persistent during the past eight days, said the French official wireless commentator yesterday.

In the sector east of the Moselle, he added, the enemy have carried out several unsuccessful raids.

During daylight these patrols go out in the woods, and at night they cover the areas where there is insufficient cover in the daytime.

German patrols now consist of sections of about 40 men.

### MUCH AIR RECONNAISSANCE

There has also been much air reconnaissance by fighters, but no air battles.

German planes have been making numerous reconnoitring flights in East France, following the axes of the main road and rail systems.

A German machine twice flew past one of the French casemates on the bank of the Rhine and peppered it with machine-gun bullets.

The French think the pilot was amusing himself, since the bullets spattered harmlessly on the concrete. At the same time, German posts opposite fired a few belts of machine-gun ammunition at the same casemate.

Yesterday's German communiqué stated: "There has been livelier artillery fire in some sectors of the Western Front. Between the Moselle and the Rhine, two dug-outs were blown up on French soil south-west of Merzig by reconnaissance patrols, and three others were rendered uninhabitable.

The Air Force has carried out reconnaissance flights, chiefly over Western and Central France. At some points, the German planes were unsuccessfully attacked by chasers and anti-aircraft fire. There were no losses."—Reuter, B.U.P. and Exchange.

## AXE FOR GUNMEN, BERLIN DECREES

Berlin, Saturday.

A decree just published introduces capital punishment for street robbery, bank robbery, rape or similar crimes if the perpetrator uses firearms or other weapons.

Criminals who defend themselves with arms against those attacking them with arms are liable to the death penalty.—Reuter.

## FOR BLACK-OUT BLUES



Veronica Rose, who does some dainty stuff in Tom Walls's new comedy success, "His Majesty's Guest," at the Shaftesbury Theatre.

## HUSH-HUSH WAR TALK

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

LOCKED IN THE HEARTS OF M.P.s ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT WILL BE SECRETS THAT THEY WILL KEEP FROM THEIR WIVES. THE SECRETS WILL CONCERN BRITAIN'S WAR EFFORT. THE WIVES WILL NOT BE TOLD BECAUSE—WELL, SOME WIVES MIGHT GOSSIP.

At the secret session of the House of Commons on Wednesday facts will be revealed that Hitler's spies would like to know.

Mr. Speaker will warn members that their lips must be sealed. "Don't tell your friends," he will exhort M.P.s. "Don't tell your constituents or the directors of your firm. Above all, don't tell your wives."

And this is the reason. There were secret sessions of Parliament in the last war. M.P.s went home and whispered to their families the nation's secrets.

Wives whispered those secrets to their friends. Enemy agents listened in, especially at social functions given by certain Embassies.

### NO CHANCES

As a result, Germany got to know quite a lot of the facts revealed at those supposedly secret sessions.

This time, it will be emphasised to M.P.s, no chances must be taken. The Press, the public and officials will be excluded from the House during the secret session. Even Cabinet Ministers' secretaries will be kept out.

The Speaker, in his silence warning to members, will tell them that any breach of the secrecy pledge may bar them from the House for ever.

The debate will be entirely about munitions—and especially about the

items for which the Ministry of Supply is responsible.

Many M.P.s, not only on the Front Opposition bench but among Government supporters, believe that the full potentialities of the nation are not being utilised.

They will point out that there are 1,000 firms offering to make munitions, whose services are being neglected.

It is true that, with the war only three months old, armaments production is higher than it was at the peak period of the last war, but they will point to the unemployment total of 1,400,000 and urge that the nation's man-power must be used to the last ounce.

Assurances will be given by Dr. Leslie Burgin, Minister of Supply. He will repeat that £6,000,000 a day is being spent on the war, that £200,000,000 worth of orders have been given by his department since the war began; and that in one recent week £12,000,000 worth of armament contracts were given out, and 600 extra firms brought on the contracting list.

He will say a lot more, of course. But that will be secret.

## BOAT RELIC OF GERMAN AIR CRASH

WHEN the Aberdeen trawler Burnbank returned to port yesterday it had on board a collapsible rubber boat belonging to a German aeroplane.

It bore the markings "FL230003" and German equivalent of "Made in Berlin."

Members of the crew said they picked up the rubber boat while fishing off the east coast of Scotland the previous afternoon.

It was drifting, water-logged, just below the surface of the water. A paddle was in the bottom of the boat. The skipper said, "No rubber boat could have lived for long in such heavy seas."

It will be recalled that on Thursday Nazi air raiders were attacked by British planes.

The German communiqué on Friday announced that on the flight back from the Firth of Forth a German plane made a forced landing on the sea owing to engine trouble.

## FINNISH APPEAL TO LEAGUE TOMORROW

The League Council at its private meeting in Geneva yesterday decided to submit Finland's appeal against Russia to the League Assembly tomorrow. The Council thus overruled the objection of the Soviet Government in its note to the League, that the Finnish delegate was not entitled to speak in the name of the Finnish people.

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## Berlin Goes Shabby

## "COMMUNISM ON THE WAY"

New York, Saturday.

COMMUNISM WILL SOON SPREAD IN GERMANY IF HITLER REMAINS. THIS IS THE COMMENT TODAY OF A BERLIN CORRESPONDENT OF THE "BOSTON GLOBE."

"The aspect of German humanity has changed in Berlin," he writes. "It looks like Russia. The shabbiness of the clothing suggests it, the drabness of life, the high boots worn by so many women, the pale, unhealthy colour, the dowdiness of the masses.

"It has been a levelling down, not up, so far."

Emphasis is given to this picture of life-to-day in the Reich by the Archduke Felix, brother of the pretender to the Austrian throne.

"Ninety per cent. of the Austrian people," he declared, "are against the Nazi regime. Austria is suffering severely from lack of food. The revolution against the Nazis which is brew-

ing in Austria is bound to start sooner or later."

Still further evidence of Hitler's plight on the home front is contained in Goering's "National Zeitung."

It quotes Hitler's words, "What we possess today is beside the point—the one decisive factor is that Germany should win," and adds:

"Everyone must take part according to his means and not according to his wishes. The war has so far scarcely demanded any sacrifices in the home, but the time will come when the Fuehrer's words are brought home in their full significance to every single person."

The German citizen, with already seven or eight ration cards in his pocket, may well wonder what this threat is going to mean to him.—Reuter.

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## Whirlwind Counter-Attacks By Finnish Troops

Large numbers of volunteers are flocking into Finland from Sweden. One Swede brought his own rifle; another brought a revolver.

One Finnish girl had come from London to join the Finnish Women's Auxiliary Army. She arrived dressed in high leather boots and breeches, and hoped to serve immediately.

"We can do work behind the lines which will release more men for the front," she told me. "Our organisation numbers more than 80,000 women already. We will do whatever work is necessary in order to put more men with rifles on the front line."

Whirlwind Finnish counter-attacks

are reported to have followed the latest Russian advances, and the invaders have in some cases been driven back from the advance posts of the Mannerheim Line.

The Russians are now approaching sectors where the isthmus consists more of lakes than of land, and it is among these that the Finns are waiting in their principal fortifications.

The main fighting still consists of clashes between Russians advancing in mass formation and mobile Finnish companies, operating with rifles on skis or from concealed machine-gun nests.

It is reported from a number of points that the Russians have attempted to make landings along the south coast of

Finland, but so far the Finnish Navy and coastal defences have successfully driven them off. Weather experts estimate that these tactics will only be possible for the Russians for another ten days or a fortnight.

Meanwhile, in the weird twilight of the polar night, on the Petsamo front in the extreme north, the Finns are achieving considerable success with skirmishing and guerrilla warfare while waiting for the Russians to launch their expected offensive.

This morning Finnish infantry on skis attacked along a two-mile front in one of the Northern sectors. They caught the Russians unawares, and latest reports describe the Finns as taking advantage of the enemy's confusion to cause havoc in their ranks.

With expert marksmanship they picked off man after man, while the Russians were scarcely able to reply.

Prisoners (according to reports from Stockholm) report that the morale of the Soviet troops is poor in spite of the strictest discipline. There are numerous deserters, many of them suffering from frost-bite.

NEUTRAL HELP

Fifty Swedish Army officers have applied for permission to fight for Finland, according to the Rome radio. Many young Spanish officers, it was added, have also sought leave from the Madrid Government to assist the Finns.

The station also reports that Finland

## Husband Mine, By A Wife

WOMAN: Fate was unkind when it chose my husband for me. It showed about as much discrimination as a murder-mine.

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